



# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

*"Strive, Believe, Achieve"*

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## Our school Values

Honesty ~ Excellence ~ Respect ~ Resilience ~ Perseverance

Our Moral Purpose - Students will be able to choose a life that has meaning.

**Warracknabeal Secondary College is committed to child safety (Ministerial Order No. 870) and takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the safety of our students is paramount.**

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

*Term 2 Week 11  
29<sup>th</sup> June,  
2017*

We have come to the conclusion of what has been an incredibly busy term 2. However, the business has had a purpose and many great things have been achieved as a result. Initial feedback on the new reports has been positive, however we would love to get some more specific information. If you could take the time to complete this very short 2 minute survey that would be greatly appreciated.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CKMJYXH>

The Parent Opinion survey has changed for 2017 and will now be administered online, similar to the Student Attitudes to School Survey. I will give you more information as it comes to me but it is likely to come out in early Term 3.

If you haven't had a chance to see the great video the Year 9/10 Photojournalism class made on our Facebook page, make sure you see it. The work students have done this year researching into the history of the town in connection with the 150 Years celebration has been insightful for me considering I am not a local.

I trust everyone will have a restful and enjoyable break. For some, it may still include some work to catch up on things that were missed in Semester 1. Others, including myself, may use the time to plan and get ahead in Semester 2. I look forward to coming back refreshed and ready to grow in Term 3.

**Michael Briggs-Miller**

Principal

**Absence Hotline - 5398 1433 Or email**

**Charmaine – Mon, Tues and Fri - [wilson.charmaine.m@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:wilson.charmaine.m@edumail.vic.gov.au)**

**Chelsea – Wed and Thurs - [smith.chelsea.r@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:smith.chelsea.r@edumail.vic.gov.au)**

Please notify the school by 12 noon on the day of the absence.

## **ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – Heath Schulz**

### **Careers Expo**

Well done to all students who attended the Careers Expo this week. I know that this event will further support your ability to choose a pathway at WSC. It was great to see a number of students who were a little confused by the question, “What do you want to do when you finish school?” return with possible career options and a focused attitude. I must also send out a huge congratulation’s to Mrs Nicole Stewart who not only organised this event, but also made it free for all WSC students to attend. You are a star!

### **Australian Defence Force and Keys please seminars**

On Friday morning the Year 10’s will hear a short presentation from the Australian Defence Force. Students will be able to ask questions that they may not have had the opportunity to ask at the careers expo. In addition, the Year 10’s will complete the Keys Please seminar. This seminar is focused on supporting learner drivers and we are pleased to be able to provide this opportunity!

### **Next term**

Term 3 will mark the official start of Unit 4 studies for Year 12’s and will most likely be the last term of structured classes and assessments. Year 12’s, the end is in sight, keep persisting, especially over the holidays!

Also, early next term students will attend a science excursion to Ballarat and the VET come and try day will be held. It is great to see that opportunities for senior students continue to be offered throughout the year!

### **Final thoughts**

Finally, I would like to wish all staff and students a well-earned break! I have been impressed with the progress we have made in both VCE and VCAL this year. In addition to resting and recharging, the holiday period will also be an opportunity to reflect and refocus. This may mean that you need to visit a business to ask about job opportunities, research University/TAFE courses, organise your study notes for end of year exams or make actions from report comments. Make sure you are fully prepared to hit the ground running in Term 3. See you then.

### **Heath Schulz**

Acting Assistant Principal

## **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – WHITNEY MUNROE**

It is the final week of the term and what a term it has been! We have had so many achievements and celebrations this term. From our numerous Young Achievers Awards to the successful completion of NAPLAN, from digestive projects in Science to short movies in Media, from our Year 6 Info Night to the Senior School Info Session, from visits to Wilken to video presentations from Melbourne University, from Project Rokit to Learning Pathways class... Needless to say, our students and staff alike have been working relentlessly to grow and improve, both academically and personally!

To celebrate the great successes from this term, I have asked a few staff and students the question:

*“What has been your highlight from this term?”*

- “Seeing how creative students have been during project-based learning when creating their short films.” – Ms. Attenborough
- “Drama! Because I get to be myself and do crazy stuff. Please get Drama in Year 8!” – Riley
- “Getting rid of the mice.” – Matt
- “When students make me laugh.” – Ms. Zhou

- “The Year 9s banding together for the PACE walk.” – Mr. Winsall
- “Playing basketball, doing fun stuff with kids, riding horses and free pizza in Advance.” - Abin
- “The school production working bee was such a success. Students worked so hard, they showed great teamwork, and they did it all with a sense of humour and no complaints!” – Ms. Gordon
- “PE! PE!” – Bella
- “The progress with the Year 8 group has been my highlight. They are more respectful and there is more learning happening in class. Also, I have two VCAL students who have completely finished VCAL Literacy and the rest of the class has made great progress.” – Ms. Weir
- “Media because you get to be creative and express yourself through video.” – Summer
- “The Melbourne trip was such a success and the students had a great time.” – Mrs. Wardle
- “Getting to make cool stuff in Woodwork.” – Branden

These are just a few of the highlights from students and staff. I look forward to next term where we will continue to build upon our vision and values as a school community so that we can offer the best opportunities for our students and their futures.

### **Whitney Munroe**

Assistant Principal of Middle School

### **From the Office:**

Could we remind parents and students it is advisable to keep WSC reports and any important documents for future references. The school does not keep duplicate copies of these.

**Fees:** Could we ask that School Fees for Semester 1 please be paid as soon as possible. If you are having any trouble with payments please come see the ladies in the office.

## **WELLBEING REPORT:**

It is with a heavy heart that I announce that I will not be returning to Warracknabeal Secondary College after this term. It has been an amazing year and a half getting to know all the incredible students and staff and I can honestly say I have made some fantastic friendships that I know will continue long into the future. I will also be taking away many great memories with me from things like the PACE walk, multiple camps, hands on learning, sports days and many others.

I wish to thank the whole school and wider community for making me feel so welcome and achieving what I believe is some great milestones for this school and community.

I will no doubt stay in touch with many staff and students and I very much look forward to what else WSC is going to achieve in the future.

So for the last time.

Kind regards.

### **Greg McKinnon**

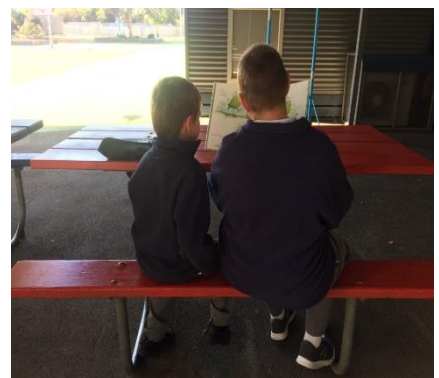
WSC Student Wellbeing Worker.



## **Reader leader**

The “Reader Leader” program was established as part of the community-wide *WORDS (Warracknabeal Oral Reading Development Strategy) – Linking Learning Warracknabeal Program*, and is an integral part of the Warracknabeal Secondary College Middle School elective program, where numerous students are involved in supporting primary school students focusing on reading.

Well done to **Olivia McConville, Stuart Murray, Jonti George and Xylia Arnel** for their fantastic work this term with the Grade Ones and preppies from St Mary’s. They have been excellent ambassadors for the school and have developed in their leadership potential, teaching skills and mentoring ability. Looking forward to more exciting work to be done within the WORDS program for Semester 2!



**Ms Cindy Zhou**

English teacher and W.O.R.D.S. Literacy Coordinator

## **Photojournalism Film:**

Well done to our Year 9/10 Photojournalism students for making a film celebrating Warracknabeal!

The students did a great job writing questions, conducting interviews, filming, taking photos and editing.

Thank you to all the community members who generously gave their time to the students for their interviews and photos.

The film played at the 150 years celebrations and is now available to view online.

Check it out here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JwNqLxC3oul><https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JwNqLxC3oul>

[Like us on Facebook.](#)



We are up to 848 LIKES on the Warracknabeal Secondary College Facebook page. If you haven't already “liked” our page, make sure you do so you can get updates on what's happening around the school.



## *Young Achiever Awards 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017*

### **BRONZE**

**Year 7** - Hugh Daniel, Kyle Eliades, Kynan Jonasson, Seth McCoy, Derryl Mills, Daniel Penny & Kiara Smith.

**Year 8** - Izabelle Colville, Tyler Krause, Liam Padoin, Stephanie Powell, Kyle Walder & Alyssa Zanker.

**Year 9** - Mikeely Fisher, Jayde Mills & Matthew Penny.

**Year 10** - Jacob Cale, Olivia McConville & Jayden Smith.

**Year 11** - Brodie Hallam, Connor Inkster, Kody Leith & Kiarna Taylor.

**Year 12** - Taneisha Cooper & Katie Thomson.



### **SILVER**

**Year 7** – Josiah Keam

**Year 8** – Brooke Laney & Erika Nilssen

**Year 9** – Lily Duncan, Lachlan Golder & Matthew Hunter.

### **GOLD**

**Year 8** - Bronte Fisher, Sophie Klemm & Molly Stewart.

## **Game of Tiaras News**

With the commencement of Term 2 I would like to thank all cast & staff who have worked so hard this term! I am so impressed with the progress cast members are continuing to make!

A reminder that as of the 24<sup>th</sup> of July, cast members will no longer be able to use their scripts during rehearsals and their lines should be memorised.

With the announcement of Greg McKinnon leaving, we have unfortunately lost our actor for the role of Smeagol. We will address this in the Term 3, but I am confident a solution will arise, and the production will continue without issue.

On Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> of June, students met at the college to get dusty and dirty at the working bee. We made great progress on our sets and have cleared out the old pottery room under the stage, which will become the 'Green Room'- the green room is where cast members will have their hair/makeup done and where they will wait when they are not on stage.

**Natalie Gordon**  
*Game of Tiaras Director.*

## CANTEEN NEWS

Thank you for your support of the WSC CANTEEN this Term. WELL DONE to the VCAL Students for their hard work – they have done a brilliant job!

Due to rising prices of some items there will be some increases to Menu prices.

- Chicken/Vegie Burger Wraps from \$4.00 to \$4.50
- Hot Chocolate(with marshmallow)/Cappuccino/Cup-A-Soup(with savoury/flatbread biscuit) from \$1.50 to \$2.00  
(BUT – if you bring your own cup/mug ONLY \$1.50)
- Sausage Rolls \$2.00 to \$2.50
- All other Menu item prices will remain the same
- Toasted Sandwiches (ham/cheese/tomato – your choice) will be available - \$2.50



The new WCS Canteen Menu is attached for your convenience.

Enjoy your Holiday Break – See you in Term 3 ☺

**Julie Pearson**

Canteen Supervisor

## **W.S.C. SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU**

### **Available at RECESS & LUNCH (Until sold out)**

- Hot Dog in bread - **\$2.50**
- Sausage Roll - **\$2.50**
- Steamed Dim Sims - **3 for \$2.50(or \$1.00each)**
- Milk Shakes(choc/caramel/strawberry) - **\$2.00**
- Fruit Salad(with ice-cream, yoghurt or plain) - **\$2.00**
- Popcorn - **\$1.00**
- Hot Chocolate/Cappuccino - **\$2.00**

### **Order at RECESS for LUNCH**

- Vegie Wrap(with lettuce, tomato/cheese) - **\$4.50**
- Chicken Wrap(with lettuce/tomato/cheese) - **\$4.50**
- Toasted Sandwich(ham/tomato/cheese) - **\$2.50**
- Milk Shakes(choc/caramel/strawberry) - **\$2.00**
- Fruit Salad(with ice-cream, yoghurt or plain)- **\$2.00**
- Sausage Roll - **\$2.50**
- Hot Dog in bread - **\$2.50**
- 3 Steamed Dim Sims - **\$2.50(or \$1.00 each)**
- Hot Chocolate/Cappuccino - **\$2.00**
- Cup-A-Soup - **\$2.00**

**PLEASE REMEMBER** – If you BRING YOUR OWN MUG/CUP when you purchase  
Hot Drinks/Cup-A-Soup ----- ONLY PAY \$1.50.

**Sweet Chilli sauce/BBQ sauce/soy sauce/tomato sauce available**

# Careers Report

## **Melbourne Career Expo 21/7 – 23/7/17.**

2017 SpotJobs Melbourne Career Expo will be held from Friday 21 July to Sunday 23 July at the Royal Exhibition Building, Carlton Gardens, Melbourne. If you are visiting Melbourne during this time, it might be a great opportunity to attend. **I have a number of free tickets available for entry to Years 10, 11 and 12 students and their parents. See me ASAP.**

The Career Expo showcases over 150 exhibitors from Tertiary education providers, large employers, skills industries and Government departments and services.

While at the expo students are encouraged to receive information from the Department of Education on all things higher education based, i.e. VET student loans, student support, apprenticeship info, USI, and QILT comparison surveys.

The Career Development Association of Australia will be offering Free career counselling to assist students to find their career pathway. They can also bring a hard copy of their resume to the event and have a qualified CDAA representative check it for free. There is an abundance of Free career advice on hand.

## **VET Try Day selection forms**

All students interested in looking at a VET course for next year, should have by now returned their selection slips to the office. Permission forms will be handed out after the holidays for the VET Try Day on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. If you have any questions please see Mr. Schulz or Ms Munroe after the school holidays.

## **Western District Careers Expo**

Over 90 WSC students attended the annual Expo at the Longerenong Field Days site on Tuesday. By all reports, the students had a great day and were able to gather many resources for their career exploration journey. Thanks to Mr. Schulz, Ms. Munroe, Ms. Good and Ms. Attenborough for attending.

## **VET – Federation University students**

We have been advised that the canteen at Federation University Horsham campus will be closed until 14<sup>th</sup> August (first four weeks of term 3). VET students that access the canteen for lunch will need to make other arrangements.

## **Leave**

I will be away on Long Service Leave until the 14<sup>th</sup> August. In my absence, you can see Mr Schulz or Mrs Sanders for any queries.

MINYIP SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE INC.

Inc. No. A0001043C

## **LIFEGUARD POSITIONS**

Season 2017/18

Casual employment opportunity from December – February 2018

Applicants will be offered financial support for lifeguard and update training.

Applicants are responsible for their own First Aid courses.

First Aid requirement: HLTAID003 (Level 2)

Applicants must be a minimum of 16 years of age.

For further information or a position description, please contact the Secretary, Gina Gellion

Phone 0418 857 249 or email [ginaross5@bigpond.com](mailto:ginaross5@bigpond.com)

Applications can be forwarded to Gina Gellion, Secretary, Minyip Swimming Pool Committee,  
3 Mill Street Minyip, 3392 or emailed to [ginaross5@bigpond.com](mailto:ginaross5@bigpond.com)

Applications close Friday September 1, 2017

## **Nicole Stewart**

Careers/VET Co-ordinator


Structured Workplace Learning



# Western District Careers Expo Photos







Do you have questions or feedback about  
Warracknabeal Secondary College?

# Parent Engagement Forum

Save the date: Monday 31st July 6.30 pm

(Term 3, Week 3)

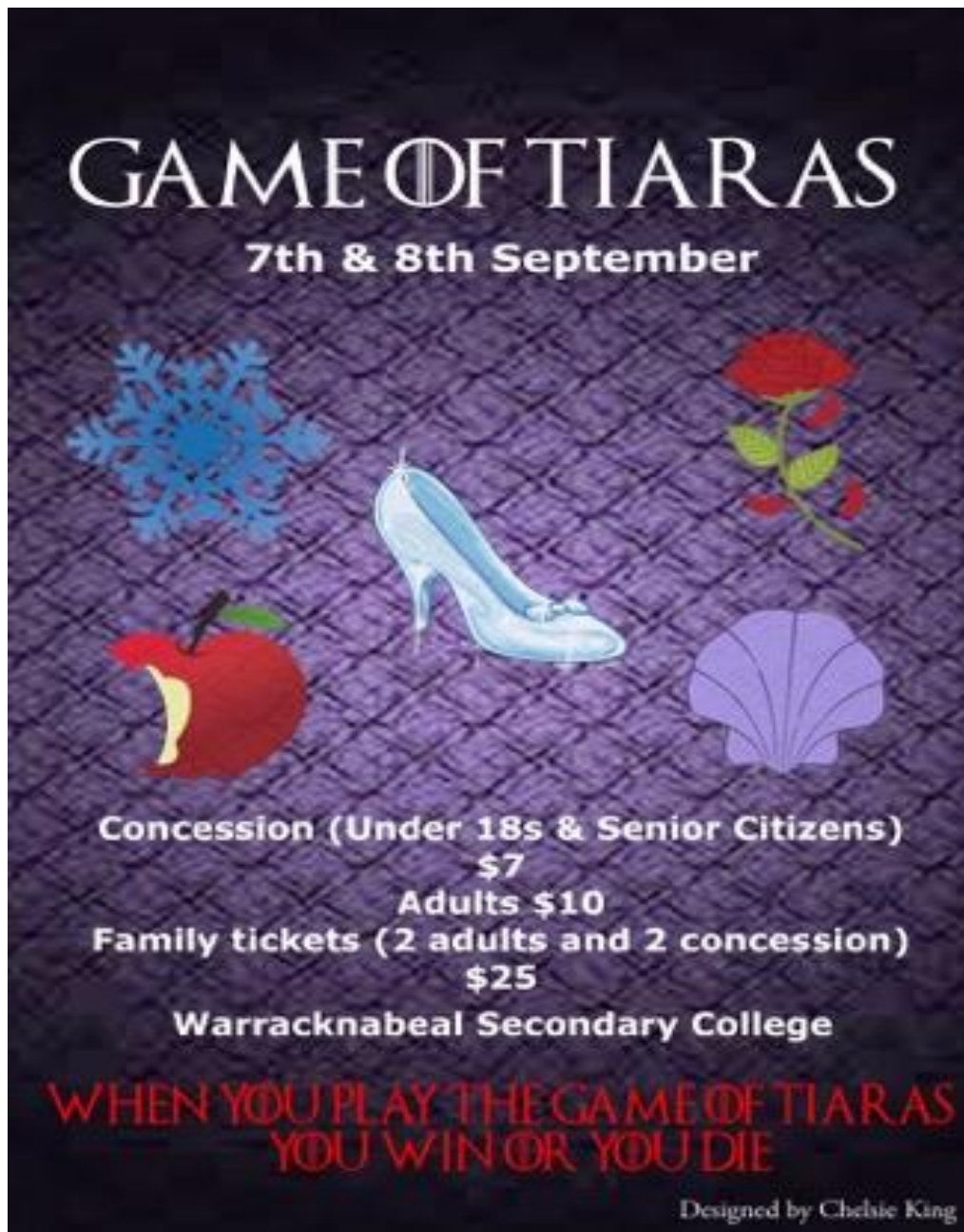
The Parent Engagement Committee of the School Council invite you to ask questions and provide feedback.

Principal Michael Briggs-Miller will be specifically discussing:

- **Reports**
- **How student needs are being addressed**

Anonymous feedback forms will also be provided





## Calendar of Events



<b>June</b>	30 <sup>th</sup>	ADF recruiting talk Yr. 9, 10 & 11
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Keys Please Yr. 10
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Last day Term 2
<b>July</b>	17 <sup>th</sup>	First day of Term 3
	20 <sup>th</sup>	Yr. 10 Science Lecture - Ballarat

## **Community Events**



FACEBOOK SEARCH  
LINC's LEGO  
EXHIBITION

FOR UPDATES AND INFO



**CALLING ALL LEGO BUILDERS**

**WARRACKNABEAL'S**

# **COMMUNITY LEGO EXHIBITION**

Inviting all LEGO LOVERS to build and display a masterpiece to create an exhibition to be viewed and enjoyed by the community.

**WHEN: - SUNDAY JULY 30<sup>TH</sup> 2017**

**TIME: -Drop in between 10am TO 2:00pm**

(Lego displays to be dropped off between 9:00am - 9:30am) OTHER ARRANGMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR THOSE WANTING TO DISPLAY BUT NOT AVAILABLE ON THE DAY

**WHERE: - WARRACKNABEAL NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE**

**COST: - \$2 per Lego entry**

**: - Gold coin donation entry on the day for spectators**

**ALL MONEY RAISED DONATED DIRECTLY TO LOVE 4 LINC**

For further information  
or to enter a display please  
contact Rikki Nitschke  
on 0438 981 347

**W.P.S  
BAKE SALE  
During expo**

**APEX  
BBQ & COLD  
DRINKS  
From 12pm**

Wimmera and Southern Mallee

# Try VET Day 2017

Try any 2  
VET subjects  
to help decide which  
one to enrol in for  
2018.

Students  
must complete a  
registration form to be  
able to attend.

## Thursday 3 August

### A free lunch will be provided by the LLEN

See your VET Coordinator for a registration form or for more information

